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FOR: MAGNETORESISTIVE HEAD

Enclosed are:

- 19 sheets of □ formal □ informal drawings.
- ☑ Request for Priority transmitting certified Japanese application 2002-361607 claiming priority date of December 13, 2002.
- ☑ An Executed Declaration.
- ☑ An Information Disclosure Statement

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